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LETTER DATED 11 AUGUST 1995 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon instructions of my Government, I am writing to inform you of the following.

Despite repeated warnings of the international community, reflected also in the latest resolution of the Security Council 1009 (1995), Croatia continues with its policy of aggression against the Serb people in Krajina.

In addition to frequent shelling of civilians and refugees who are fleeing towards Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Croatia openly announces that it shall expand the aggression to the eastern part of the Republic of Serb Krajina. Croatia has concentrated a large number of its forces in the area and constantly reinforces them by elite units and has engaged in provocative artillery strikes against civilian facilities in Baranja, Eastern Slavonia and Western Srem with sporadic infantry attacks.

In the past few days, it was noted that fresh units of the Croatian Army have been deployed and that its forces in Sector East, particularly in the region of Zupanja, Vinkovci, Osijek, Djakovo and Slavonski Brod, have been reinforced. Even during their deployment on the collection sites, new forces are deployed in combat positions ready to launch attacks on the units of the 11th Corps of the Serbian Army of Krajina. The provocative actions of the Croat artillery against the civilian targets and the positions of the 11th Corps of the Serb Army of Krajina is coupled with propaganda activities in all media that wage a psychological warfare, which affects the Serb population and generates fear among them.

All those developments indicate the possibility of imminent armed attack of the Croatian army on Baranja, Eastern Slavonia and Western Srem. The Croatian President Franjo Tudjman yesterday announced Croatia's intention to place Sector East under its control by force.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia wishes to warn to the possibility that in the course of provocative activities of the Croatian Army, particularly in the case of all-out attack on Sector East, the territories of

the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and Hungary may be endangered in case of artillery fire, rocket and air strikes. That may lead to the involvement of other countries in the conflict and its spill-over to the wider region of the Balkans.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia demands that the Security Council take urgent steps so that the Government of Croatia be made to respect the relevant Security Council resolutions and halt, without any delay, its aggressive activities and thus create conditions for the resolution of all open issues through peaceful means and political negotiations.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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